

Ejide Sodipo - Speaker Profile

Ejide Sodipo is one of Nigeria's most respected voices in commercial and maritime law, with a distinguished career spanning over 30 years. She is widely regarded as a national authority on Protection and Indemnity (P&I) Mutuals and has represented clients in more than 400 cases - including appearances before the Nigerian Supreme Court.

Her legal expertise spans cargo claims, charter parties, international trade, bunker disputes, marine collisions, and personal injury. She is especially known for her work at the intersection of law, regulation, and international shipping. Today, she serves as the CEO of Pye-M Systems, a consultancy firm focused on mutual advisory and legal compliance in Nigeria's maritime and energy sectors.

Ejide's passion for maritime law began early, inspired by her upbringing in a family of pioneering indigenous shipowners. This path led her to earn an LL.M. in Commercial and Maritime Law from University College London (UCL), and to serve in legal, academic, and advisory roles across both public and private institutions - including the Lagos State Department of Justice and the University of Ibadan.

Speaking Engagements:

She has delivered keynote addresses and expert presentations for institutions such as:

- Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency (NIMASA)
- Nigerian Shipowners Association
- Nigerian Content Development & Monitoring Board (NCDMB)
- Nigerian Bar Association Business Law Conference

Previous Speaking Engagements:

- "The Benefits of a Nigeria P&I Association" presented to SOAN and NISA, 2019
- "Insurance Redesigned" session with NIMASA leadership and shipowners, 2019

- "Opportunity for Wealth Generation in Maritime via Local P&I Mutuals," Nigerian Shippers' Council, 2018
- "Domestic Wealth Creation through Maritime Insurance," NCDMB Workshop in Imo State, 2017
- "Wealth Creation in Marine Insurance via Local P&I," NIMASA, 2017
- "Harnessing Nigeria's Maritime Potential," Maritime Sector Presidential Retreat, 2012

Contributions:

Ejide is also the initiator of Nigeria's first Federal Technical Committee on the establishment of a local P&I Mutual, and she continues to advocate for strategic, self-reliant regulatory solutions within Africa's marine and insurance industries.

Availability:

Ejide is available for keynote speeches, expert panels, fireside chats, and strategic roundtables, both in Nigeria and internationally.